

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
JUNGO MIYAZAKI, et al. ) : Examiner: J. Zhu  
Application No.: 10/566,751 ) : Group Art Unit: 2831  
Filed: February 1, 2006 ) :  
For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR )  
COUNTING NUMBER OF ) :  
LAYERS OF MULTILAYER )  
OBJECT BY MEANS OF ) :  
ELECTROMAGNETIC WAVE ) May 4, 2009

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to further examination on the merits, a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) having been filed concurrently herewith, and in response to the Office Action dated January 6, 2009, the period for response to which having been extended to May 6, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows: